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ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

WALTER L. THOMAS, JR., SECRETARY

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June 21, 2022

Mr. Walter Thomas, Jr., Commission Secretary
Alabama Public Service Commission
RSA Union Building, Suite 950
100 North Union Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Attached for filing are the following revisions to the CenturyTel of Northern Alabama d/b/a CenturyLink Access Services Tariff, issued June 21, 2022 with a proposed effective date of July 1, 2022:

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This compliance filing is submitted pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's Report and Order in WC Docket No. 18-156, (FCC 20-143), (8YY Access Charge Reform), requiring that beginning July 1, 2022 each Price Cap Carrier shall implement the second step of the 8YY Access Service reductions mandated in the aforementioned Order, as follows:

1. Reduce its interstate and intrastate rates for all originating End Office Access Service rate elements for Toll Free Calls in each state in which it provides such service by one-half of the maximum rate allowed in Step 1.
2. Reduce its rates for interstate and intrastate Toll Free Database Query Charges by one-half of the difference between the rate permitted in Step 1 and the transitional rate of \$0.0002 per query.

Sincerely,

Ashley Douglas

Attachments

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

6.5 Rate Categories, Applications, and Regulations (Cont'd)

6.5.16 Shared Use Facilities

When a Special Access Service and Switched Access Service is provided over the same Wideband Analog or High Capacity facility through a common interface, the facility will be considered as part of the Special Access Service, and will be ordered, provided, and rated as set forth in Section 7.2.5 following.

Switched Access Service rates and charges will apply for each channel of the shared use facility that is used to provide a Switched Access Service.

6.6 Switched Access Rates and Charges

		Rates Per Access Minute		
		Originating <u>Toll Free</u>	Originating <u>Non-Toll Free</u>	<u>Terminating</u>
(A)	<u>Local Switching -</u>			
	EOS1 and EOS2 Rates	\$0.0016348 (R)	\$0.0135504	\$0.0000000
(B)	<u>Information Surcharge</u>	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
(C)	<u>Shared Trunk Port</u>	\$0.0003500 (R)	\$0.0007000	\$0.0000000

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(T) Miscellaneous Switched Access Rates and Charges

	<u>Premium</u>	<u>Basic</u>
800/877/888 Data Base Query Service (a.k.a. TFC Data Base Query Service) - Per Query	\$ 0.0000	\$0.002224 (R)
	<u>Per Switched ASR</u>	
ASR Ordering Charge	\$17.59	
Design Change Charge	\$13.11	
Service Date Change Charge	\$13.11	
	<u>Per Line or Trunk</u>	
Installation Charge	\$0.00	
	<u>Per Call</u>	
FGD Blocking Charge ^[1]	\$0.005	
	<u>1st NXX</u>	<u>Each Add'l NXX</u>
500 NXX Translation Nonrecurring Charge Per ASR/Per End Office	\$23.00	\$12.00
900 NXX Translation Nonrecurring Charge Per ASR/Per End Office	\$33.56	\$ 4.08

(U) Switched Access Assumed Minutes of Use

	<u>Originating Only</u>	<u>Terminating Only</u>	<u>2-Way</u>
Feature Group A and BSA-A	2,068	1,834	3,902
Feature Group B and BSA-B	5,042	5,042	5,042

(V) Carrier Identification Parameter (CIP)

	<u>Nonrecurring Charge, per CIC</u>
per access tandem direct trunk group	\$1,120.00
per end office direct trunk group	80.00
Monthly Rate, per trunk	0.46

^[1] This flat rated charge was calculated based upon a 50/50 split between originating and terminating. The FCC in their FCC 11-161 ICC Transformation order in section 51.907(d)(1) allowed Price Cap Carriers to use an equal split to divide the charge between originating and terminating elements. When the terminating portion of the rate is reduced and then combined with the originating portion of the rate, a single flat rate is generated for billing purposes.